I am very troubled by Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to air "Stolen Honor" a few weeks before the election. Although the owners of this company can quote the letter of the law and claim that by offering John Kerry a chance to rebut the contents of the film after it is over, the spirit of the law requires either the piece be held back until after the election or that it be juxtaposed with vitriol in the same vein from the Democrats, maybe Michael Moore's Fahrenheit 9/11.

As a thoughtful member of the television viewing community, I resent the fact that aside from the debates, the vast majority of material that purports to explore issues or examine openly the positions of the presidential candidates is simply slick and dogmatic propaganda. This type of film falls in that category and violates the requirement that Sinclair Broadcasting serve the public good. The power they possess to overtly ignore or reconstruct laws governing the media in order to promote a political candidate under the guise of public service represents one more troubling loss of dedication to multiple viewpoints and reasoned discourse. This is simply further evidence of corporate giants masquerading as servants to the public and selecting and presenting only those opinions and pieces that promote their self interest.

I implore the FCC to address this problem quickly and creatively and look forward to your response.

Thank you for your time and attention to my concerns.

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